

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, MAY 1, 2006**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Chris Fields, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Councilman Sheehan entered the meeting immediately after the roll was called. Councilman McGowan was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse and Elizabeth Gist, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the April 18, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Bridges reported the following:

- Tomorrow evening at 6:00 p.m. there will be a public hearing of the Economic Development Commission at council chambers.
- The Rush County Ministerial Association has invited all city officials to the annual National Day of Prayer this Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Rush County Courthouse west entrance.
- The Rush County Chamber of Commerce luncheon will be May 17 at noon at the Flatrock Grill. Please call our office and make reservations if you plan to attend. The speaker will be a representative from Rush Renewable Energy.
- Received revisions on the construction standards recommended by Butler Fairman.
- The City auction will be May 13 at 9:30 a.m. in conjunction with the Rush County Schools.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \***

Copley asked Council to approve claims for the annexation project in the amount of \$32,275.35. Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Copley also asked Council to forgive the revolving loan with Wilkinson since they filed bankruptcy. Fields made a motion to forgive the loan. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \***

Pavey reported that they have 6 - \$1,000.00 spots and 2 - \$500.00 spots left for advertising for the summer concert series.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS \* \* \***

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Police** – Fudge passed out his monthly report.

Informed Council that Meek has been approved by PERF and his first day of work will be May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Officer Fish returned to work on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Fire** – Reported that in April the Rushville Fire Department responded to 66 calls. 43 of those were fire related and 23 were medical.

**Street** – Board of Works approved a 30 day extension for the resurfacing project.

**Animal** – Passed out the monthly report.

**Code Enforcement** – Passed out the monthly report.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

Bridges said he received an ordinance used by the City of Lebanon regarding golf carts. He asked Council to review it and let him know if they were interested in pursuing the matter further. Sheehan stated he thought we had agreed to go along with the State, but would rather not see them on the street. Fudge said he didn't like the idea of using them because there were no safety features on the carts. He said he was absolutely against the carts being on the streets after dark. Sheehan made a motion to table the matter. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

None.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Housing Grant** – Deb Lilly from ARa introduced a new housing grant. It would be a declaration for a period of 3 years. This is CDBG monies and the maximum amount available to \$300,000.00. Applications will have to be scored. The application deadline is August 1<sup>st</sup>. The suggestions are mainly for electric, heating, cooling, roofs and lead paint. Pavey made a motion to move forward with the housing grant. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Compatible Use Zone Language** – Bridges passed out language for the compatible use zone. Byrne made a motion to approve the language. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Request for Sewage Hook-up** – The City Utilities received a request from residents at 1025 West 1<sup>st</sup> Street for sewage hook-up. They are already receiving City water. He said he expected this to come up at the next meeting.

**Claims** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER  
ATTEST:

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER